THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Multi-purpose National Identity Cards

1633. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the areas in thirteen States/UTs covered under the pilot project on Multi-purpose National Identity Cards scheme initiated in April, 2003;

(b) the basis for selecting these places under the pilot project;

(c) the status of the said pilot project as on 31st January, 2005;

(d) the details of States/places contemplated to be covered by the scheme in the subsequent phase and its time-frame;

(e) the area-wise number of citizens provided with MNICs under pilot project;

(f) whether steps have been initiated for detection of illegal migrants consequent to MNICs and their deportation;

(g) if so, details thereof; and

(h) if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) The details are given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below).

(b) The areas for the pilot project were selected taking into account various factors such as proximity to the border, good birth and death registration system and the possibility or integration with the already existing data base etc.

(c) The data entry work for all the 30.95 lakh records has been completed. The field integration of the photograph and finger biometrics has also been completed. The job of verification of citizenship status is under progress.

(d) The Government propose to implement the scheme is the entire country after the results of the pilot project are available.

(e) The Identity Cards have not yet been issued.

(f) to (h) the implementation of the MNIC scheme would facilitate identification of illegal migrants. The stage for such identification and action consequent to issuance of MNICs has not yet been reached.

Statement

Areas selected for the Pilot Project

Sl. No.	State	District	Sub-district
1	2	3	4
1.	Jammu and Kashmir	Kathua (All Tahsils)	Bilawar Tahsil Bashohli Tahsil Kathua Tahsil Hiranagar Tahsil
2.	Gujarat	Kutch	Lakhpat Taluka
3.	Uttaranchal	Pithoragarh	Pithoragarh Tahsil
4.	Rajasthan	Jaisalmer	Jaisalmer Tahsil
5.	Uttar Pradesh	Maharaj Ganj	Nowtanva Tahsil
6.	Assam	Karimganj	Pathankardi Revenue Circle
7.	Andhra Pradesh	Medak	Narsapur Mandal Hathnoora Mandal Shivampet Mandal Jinnaram Mandal
8.	West Bengal	Murshidabad	Murshidabad-Jiaganj CD Block Murshidabad MC
9.	Tripura	West Tripura	Agartala East Tahsil 1. (a) Agartala Sheet No. 13.24 Agartala West Tahsil 2. (b) Agartala Sheet No. 1-12 Lankamura Tahsil 1. Singerbil 2. Lankamura Barjala Tahsil 1. Ramnagar 2. Barjala Indiranagar Tahsil 1. Indiranagar 2. Kunjaban
10.	Tamil Nadu	Ramanathapuram	Tiruvadanai Taluka
11.	Goa	North Goa	Tiswadi Taluka
12.	Pondicherry	Pondicherry	Karaikal Sub-Taluka
13.	Delhi	North-West District	Narela Tahsil Village Pooth Khurd (CT)